Visual Resources – BLM Standard Environmental Color Tool

A Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Standard Environmental Color Paint Tool (Color Tool) is available and may be ordered through the BLM Printed Materials Distribution Services (PMDS).

Equipment painted Carlsbad Canyon

The Color Tool is available in two forms, either as an entire set or as individual color paint cards. The Entire Set (PC01) includes three (3) informational cards and nine (9) standard environmental color paint cards (PC02-PC10). Each of the nine standard environmental colors (PC02-PC10) may also be ordered individually. The Color Tool is 4.25" x 5.5". Each color card is fully coated with paint simulation color. The back side of each paint card includes important tips about the specific color. To ensure color accuracy, always use an original BLM Standard Environmental Color Paint Tool card to match the paint color of choice. The standard environmental colors are paint simulated reproductions calibrated for perfect paint matching. Consistent color matches cannot be achieved using electronic or CYMK ink printed versions of the standard environmental colors.

Order these products from PMDS using Form 1556-1, Publications Requisition Form and submitting it by email to BLM_OC_PMDS@blm.gov, or by fax to 303-236- 0845.

Use the following stock numbers when ordering:
PC01: Entire Set
PC02: Carlsbad Canyon (single)
PC03: Covert Green (single)
PC04: Shadow Gray (single)
PC05: Juniper Green (single)
PC06: Shale Green (single)
PC07: Sudan Brown (single)
PC08: Beetle (single)
PC09: Yuma Green (single)
PC10: Carob Brown (single)

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Information about selecting proper colors and methods for reducing visual contrast can be found on the Visual Resource Management website at blm.gov/vrm. For questions or concerns, please email blm_hq_vrm@blm.gov.